

****Traffic Advisory** - Troopers Investigating Serious Crash- Update**

Presented by Public Information Officer- Master Corporal Jeffrey R. Hale

Newark, DE- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit continues to investigate a crash involving a motorcycle which has seriously injured two people.

The investigation has determined that the crash occurred this afternoon, Tuesday, September 27, 2016, at approximately 2:13 p.m., as David Reed, 19, of Newark, was operating a 2014 Harley Davidson X8N motorcycle and was traveling in a westbound direction on DE SR 273 (Ogletown Road) approaching the intersection of DE SR 4. Reed failed to negotiate a gradual curve in the roadway at which point the motorcycle traveled across the grass median and continued in a westerly direction before striking the raised edge of a concrete median. The Harley Davidson, as well as David Reed, and an 18 year old female passenger, all became airborne across the intersection before landing in the grassy median area west of the intersection and on the eastbound side of the DE SR 273.

David Reed and his passenger were both treated at the scene by New Castle County Paramedics. They were then transported by EMS to the Christiana Hospital Trauma Center, where Reed was admitted with serious life-threatening injuries. His female passenger was also admitted with serious non-life threatening injuries. Neither was wearing a helmet at the time of the crash.

This crash remains under investigation by the Delaware State

Police Collision Reconstruction Unit. It is unknown if alcohol or drugs were a factor in the crash, however, speed does appear to be a factor.

The eastbound lanes of DE SR 273 were closed for approximately 2 hours as the crash was investigated and cleared.

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Newark, DE- Delaware State Police are currently investigating a serious crash involving a motorcycle that occurred this afternoon in Newark.

The initial investigation has determined that the crash occurred at approximately 2:13 p.m. this afternoon, Tuesday, September 27, 2016 on eastbound Ogletown Road (DE Rt. 273) in the area of Bala Road, Newark, and involves a motorcycle with two persons onboard. As a result of the crash, both occupants of the motorcycle have been removed from the scene and transported to the Christiana Hospital where they are currently being treated for their injuries.

The eastbound lanes of Ogletown Road have been closed to traffic and commuters are asked to find alternate routes of travel.

The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit has responded to the scene and will assume the investigation. More details will be released at the conclusion of the investigation.

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